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## Abstract art making a clear contribution

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Inspired by Neolithic ruins in Scotland, Brooklyn-based artist Branden Koch has made a series of paintings that suggest piles of boulders as well as the fire that legend has it was harnessed at that site. Koch's paintings are both expressionistic and cartoonish, suggestive of both heroism and pop culture.

**Branden Koch: "Late Holiday," rowlandcontemporary, 1118 W. Fulton Market; (312) 421-6275. Through April 14.**

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